

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wis. Stats., a regular meeting of the **Brown County Public Safety Committee** was held on Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at the Brown County Sheriff's office, 2684 Development Drive, Green Bay, WI.

Present: Chair Buckley, Supervisor Clancy, Supervisor LaViolette, Supervisor Nicholson, Supervisor Zima
Also Present: Chief Deputy Todd Delain, Don Hein, David Lasee, Cullen Peltier, Paul Gazdik, Brent Miller.

I. Call meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Patrick Buckley at 11:02 a.m.

II. Approve/Modify Agenda.

Motion made by Supervisor LaViolette, seconded by Supervisor Clancy to approve.

Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

III. Approve/Modify Minutes of May 7, 2014.

Motion made by Supervisor Clancy, seconded by Supervisor LaViolette to approve.

Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Comments from the Public. None

1. Review minutes of:

- a. Fire Investigation Task Force General Membership (March 6, 2014).**

Motion made by Supervisor LaViolette, seconded by Supervisor Clancy to receive and place on file.

Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Safety Communications

2. Budget Status Financial Report for April, 2014.

Cullen Peltier referred to the budget status financial report in the agenda packet, pointing out a new format. Peltier noted that rent was estimated low. He had been working with AT&T on a contract which was finalized in May, later than anticipated and which would provide less revenue. He also reported that the reclassification of entry level positions would not create any substantial financial impact. The prediction of shift differential had changed somewhat, although Peltier indicated he did not anticipate any significant financial impact.

Motion made by Supervisor LaViolette, seconded by Supervisor Clancy to receive and place on file.

Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Supervisor Zima arrived at 11:06am

3. Director's Report.

Regarding the radio project, Peltier reported that a final payment to Motorola was held to keep the contract open. It had now been opened and in transition to maintenance of the system. He also addressed staffing, reporting there were presently no open positions although there were a few employees out on military leave and on FMLA.

Brent Miller reported there were still inconsistencies among employees in this department and expressed concerns as a shift supervisor was at a Step 1, making 15 cent per hour less, about \$3,500 a year than five other FTE Communications Supervisors currently classified at Step 3 of Pay Grade 17 of the Class & Comp plan. He believed there was potential for a possible grievance filing.

Supervisor Buckley stated he was a firm believer in the class and comp plan, however, was aware that an employee hired by the former director was making less than others and sees this as a justifiable problem.

Supervisor Zima stated that because people on the line work overtime and make more than the supervisor is many times because they are working more hours. Buckley added that a lead supervisor was paid their hourly rate plus a shift differential which also had an effect.

Supervisor Nicholson arrived at 11:16 a.m.

Peltier informed the committee of a new update in schedules which should create a savings and offer more weekends and family time. He will continue to review ways to improve scheduling.

In addition, a pre-alert system had been implemented through coordination with the Green Bay Fire Department. Average dispatch time had been reduced which had increased morale and employee satisfaction. CAD and RFP programs were expected to be completed within a month

Supervisor LaViolette complimented Peltier on the job he has done since he had become Director. Supervisor Zima and other committee members reiterated her sentiments and informed that they had confidence in Peltier.

Motion made by Supervisor LaViolette, seconded by Supervisor Zima to receive and place on file. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Sheriff

4. Budget Status Financial Report for April, 2014.

The following activities were reported during the last reporting period:

There had been ups and downs with the overall budget, however, a positive year-end was projected. It was noted that the "pay to stay ordinance" implemented the end of 2012 has had a significant impact on collections.

The number of federal inmates housed was higher than anticipated.

Phone sales were down because of the government setting limits on the amount of phone charges that could be collected. This had an impact on investigative services as all calls were recorded.

Foreclosure sales, held every Wednesday, were down, effecting the collection of Sheriff Fees (\$80 for filing/\$80 for sale). A request was made to have this item on the next agenda for possible action.

The jail population had been higher than in the past with a total so far this year of 776,797. This high number had a significant impact on overtime. The average last year was 742.5.

Motion made by Supervisor LaViolette, seconded by Supervisor Nicholson to receive and place on file. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Budget Adjustment Request (14-46): Transfer Arson Task Force (ATF) funds for the purchase of a replacement ATF vehicle.

This budget request was to transfer Arson Task Force (ATF) funds budgeted in Investigative Contracted Services to Investigative Outlay for the purchase of a replacement ATF vehicle. A used vehicle had been located that could serve as replacement. A carry-over of \$7,432 from 2013 plus the use of \$2,568 in the 2014 adopted budget would be utilized for this replacement vehicle purchase.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor LaViolette to approve. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Sheriff's Report.

It was reported there had been significant work with computer forensics to move ahead with investigation of crimes on children. This activity had been found to be greater than anticipated. The next step was to address the exchange of child pornography. There had been numerous operations toward individuals who were attempting to meet children for sexual activity. A meeting had been held with the District Attorney's office with the goal to work closely with them toward prosecution. Local news stations had been willing to make people aware of this situation and the Sheriff will continue to increase awareness in the community.

Motion made by Supervisor Clancy, seconded by Supervisor Nicholson to receive and place on file. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Medical Examiner

7. 2014 Brown County Medical Examiner Activity Spreadsheet.

It was reported that death investigations were down approximately 50 cases thus far this year, a decrease over 2013. Suicides were up in April, however, there were only one reported in May. Cremations continue to increase by approximately 3.5% which provides revenue in the amount of \$150 per permit which included the presence of a deputy at the time of cremation.

There had been discussions of the Medical Examiner's Office having a Facebook or Twitter page to provide information and public education, in addition to provide rumor control.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor LaViolette to receive and place on file. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Audit of bills.

Motion made by Supervisor Clancy, seconded by Supervisor LaViolette to pay the bills. Vote Taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. **Such other matters as authorized by law.**
Next Agenda: Review of Sheriff Foreclosure sales – Public Safety Communications Director

10. **Adjourn.**

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Clancy to adjourn at 11:52 a.m.
Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

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